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AMERICAN KILLED IN SINKING OF BRITISH STEAMER TURINO OFF IRELAND, REPORT TO U. S. EMBASSY, LONDON

STEAMER POMMERN IS FOUND LEAKING BY INSPECTORS

Damage to Pipe Believed Occasioned by Hot Fires Under Boilers When They Were Burned Out; Electric Pumps May Be Needed

Listed to port five degrees and with water in her hold above the double bottoms ranging from a few inches to 10 inches deep, the condition of the giant refueling merchant steamer Pommern is such today from leak, which was first noticed Sunday morning, that electric motor pumps will probably be installed to remove the water so the leak can be repaired.

At 12:30 this afternoon it was learned from a reliable source that the leak is coming from an emergency outlet pipe designed to carry water out from the bilge to sea in case of a leak developing in the ship.

Inspector Henny Investigates

At 10 o'clock this morning U. S. Inspector of Steam Vessels and Boilers Thomas J. Henny was seen coming from the Pommern. He was dressed in overalls and had been making an investigation of the Pommern's condition. He refused to make a statement but indicated that the leak was gradually becoming worse and informed that it could be repaired before it becomes serious. He made an inspection at 6 o'clock last evening, having been notified to do so by Acting Collector of the Port Raymer Sharp, who was informed several hours before by Capt. William R. Foster, harbor master, and the armed guards on watch in the engine room, that the leak was gradually increasing.

Leak Noticed Wednesday

"I noticed at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon that the Pommern was listing to port about five degrees," said Captain Foster, the harbor master, at noon today. "Captain Curtis, the assistant harbor master, and I went aboard. We found the water rising in the engine room, evidently coming from a copper pipe on the port side. We reported this to Acting Collector Sharp, who sent Inspector Henny down to make a further investigation."

Water Hauls Seem Sound

Captain Foster said that the Pommern is the only vessel of the refugee fleet leaking at the present time. "We are patrolling the harbor night and day," he said, "checking up the draft on all the German steamers three times a day and also at night. None of them are altered. The Pommern's draft is not yet changed but she has a list to port. We are using two patrol launches at night, each containing two army men and one customs inspector." Captain Foster said he does not think the Pommern leak to be intentional. "It would have been more thorough if they had started the leak on purpose," he commented.

Early this afternoon it was learned from a reliable source that Inspector Henny, assisted by Customs Inspector or Martin J. Scully, found conditions approximately as follows when they inspected the Pommern last night and today:

Damage Fully Located

Tracing all the suction pipes and the pipes connected with the sea-cocks, they finally located the leak coming from a six-inch suction pipe connected with the main sea-cocks. The pipe runs from the engine room through the engine room bulkhead under the port boiler into the fire room. The leak was evidently caused by the burning-out of the Pommern's boilers by her officers and crew, the officials found. The superheated boilers burst out a gasket, letting in a small flow of salt water from the outside, through the pipe, intended to force bilge water out of the ship in case of emergency.

The depth of water which leaked in through the outlet pipe was found to range from a few inches to 10 inches over the top of the tanks (double bottom) at the after end of the port boiler.

Although the leak is not now of a serious nature it might easily become

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TENNIS AT BERETANIA COURTS

Today
3 p. m.—Hoogs and Warren vs. Savage and Barnes.
4 p. m.—Clarence Griffin vs. William Henoch.
4:45 p. m.—Johnston and Strachan vs. Novell and McKeever.

Friday
3:30 p. m.—Church and Throckmorton vs. Eklund and Griffin.
4:30 p. m.—Johnston and Strachan vs. Hoogs and Warren (possibly).

Metals Drop; Market Weak

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TODAY

Following are the closing prices of stocks on the New York market today, sent by the Associated Press over the Federal Wireless:

	Today	Yesterday
Alaska Gold	63 1/2	7 1/4
American Smelter	96 1/2	98 1/4
American Sugar Rfg.	106 1/2	106
American Tel. & Tel.	124 1/4	125 1/2
Anaconda Copper	74 1/2	75 1/2
Atchafalpa	101 1/4	102 1/4
Baldwin Loco.	53	54
Bethlehem & Ohio	75 1/4	75 1/4
Elliott Steel	390	406
Calif. Petroleum	22 1/2	23 1/4
Canadian Pacific	151 1/2	149 1/4
C. M. & St. P. (St. Paul)	79	79 1/2
Colo. Fuel & Iron	42 1/2	43 1/2
Cruicible Steel	64 1/2	65
Erie Common	26	26
General Electric	162	164 1/2
General Motors, New	105	107
Great Northern Pfd.	112 1/2	112 1/2
Inter. Harv., N. J.	113 1/2	115
Kennecott Copper	43	44
Lehigh R. R.	73 1/2	74
New York Central	93 1/4	94
Pennsylvania	54 1/2	54
Ray Consol.	25 1/2	25 1/2
Reading Common	89 1/2	90 1/2
Southern Pacific	92 1/2	92 1/2
Studebaker	101	102 1/2
Texas Oil	206	209
Union Pacific	134 1/2	133 1/2
U. S. Steel	104 1/2	106
Utah	106 1/2	107 1/2
Western Union	94	99 1/2
Westinghouse	51 1/4	52 1/2
Wheat	1.68 1/2	1.69 1/2

*Bid. †Ex-dividends. ‡Unquoted.

FIRST FORECLOSURE ACTION UNDER FRONTAGE LAW IS NOW COMMENCED

The first foreclosure proceedings under the frontage law, which has been started by the city attorney, is now being carried on against the estate of Nancy Hobson on Kalanikaula avenue for failure to pay the assessments levied against the property for the paving of Kalanikaula avenue.

This morning the city attorney was authorized by the tax assessors to draw up the proper notices and forms for a sale by auction.

The assessment was due November 6 and delinquent December 6 and amounts to \$1027.40.

NOTICE IS SENT CITY OF DANGEROUS CONDITION OF PALOLO VALLEY ROAD

Claiming that Waimao road in the Palolo valley district is absolutely unfit for travel by vehicles of any character, Charles O. Bittling, attorney, has requested the board of supervisors to request the road. He says that the road from the end of 10th avenue on the Waimao side is particularly dangerous to life.

The letter also, Bittling says, is a notice that should accidents or casualties occur for which, under the law, the city and county would be liable, the board is appraised in advance of the condition of the road.

CATHOLIC SISTER DIES AFTER SHORT RESIDENCE AT ACADEMY IN KAIMUKI

Sister Anna Zimmerman of the Academy of Sacred Hearts at Kaimuki died at 5 o'clock this morning of pneumonia. She was 23 years old, a native of Germany and had been here only two months, coming to Hawaii from Spain. There are no relatives here.

The body is at Williams' undertaking parlors and funeral services will be conducted this afternoon at the academy by Rev. Father Patrick. Burial is to be here in the Catholic cemetery on King street.

ELECTRIC STAMP NOW USED IN LOCAL COURT

In place of the old hand stamp that used to get dirty and worn out, an electric time stamp has been installed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court, which hereafter will be used in stamping all incoming documents with the date and the hour filed. Clerk Ben Kahalepuna says the new device will save time, worry and considerable penmanship.

COL. CROXTON TO SPEAK

Col. Richard C. Croxtan, commanding the 1st Infantry, has promised to address the non-commissioned officers' club at the armory next Tuesday evening at a special gathering of that body. The meeting will begin at 7:30 o'clock.

MOVE TO REPEAL DIRECT PRIMARY FORESHADOWED

Political Circles Hear of Sentiment Crystallizing Against Nominating System

Criticism of the direct primary law under which Hawaii has operated for two general elections has reached a stage where sentiment is crystallizing among members of the next legislature for repeal of the law and return to the old convention system.

A strong effort to put through a bill repealing the law is foreseen by several well-known Republicans. For instance, Walter Coomes, Republican county chairman, is quoted as saying that the reason his county committee failed to take action on February 1 to call a county platform convention is because the next legislature will probably knock out the nominating primary and again revolutionize the nominating system.

Members of the Oahu delegation have talked the matter over, though so far as could be learned today there has been nothing approaching definite action. A few days ago a Oahu senator told the Star-Bulletin that one more trial would be given the primary law and then it would probably be abandoned, as it has proved, he insisted, impracticable and a handicap to getting good men to run for office.

Two main objections against the law are heard in political circles. The first is that candidates must go through two campaigns, the nominating campaign and the general campaign, which has proved expensive and tiring. The poor men are said to feel that the expense of the primary campaign is a burden and the men better off object to giving up so much of their time to daily and nightly attendance on rallies, lunas and other features of a campaign in Hawaii.

The second objection is expressed in the words of one Republican, who says that good men refuse to run for the nomination. They are willing to run after being nominated in a convention, but won't go through a fight to get the nomination. He says that the businessmen of the community could be assured, under the old convention system, of swinging enough influence and control to get nominations for two or three first-class men, but that under the direct primary that is no longer the case.

There are prospects of a lively fight if the movement actually goes the length of introduction of a repealing bill. Many supporters of the direct primary law declare that while it does amend amendment, it should not be repealed since it is putting politics beyond corporation control.

One amendment advocated is that of keeping the parties rigidly separate at the primaries. It is suggested that the Republicans and Democrats have separate ballots, which would make each party vote its own ticket and stop the practice occasionally tried of one party trying to secure the nomination of the weakest men on the opposing ticket in the hope of beating these men in the following general election.

BOOSTS RULING BY COMMISSION

One of the prime originators of the commission form of government in cities, David E. Heineman of Detroit, Michigan, is visiting in Honolulu. The visitor came in the Matsonia with his sister, Mrs. Benjamin Pritz, and her daughter, Miss Fanny Pritz, both of Cincinnati, Ohio.

The party is at the Moana hotel and will be here some time.

For 20 years Heineman has been prominent in the municipal affairs of the Michigan metropolis. He has been president of the city council and was recently comptroller of the city. As a close follower of city government and an advocate of the commission form in the smaller cities he is interested in an off-hand way in the nature of the local government.

"I do not recommend the commission form of government to cities the size of Detroit," he says, "and we do not have it there, but to me it is the only system for the smaller places where the revenue is correspondingly smaller."

Heineman's ideas on civic affairs have been in demand in many places and it was through his efforts that a course in that line of work was introduced in the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor.

Charles E. Hughes was unanimously elected president of the New York bar association.

The gravestone mansion of Mrs. Nathan C. Scoville of New York was destroyed by fire at a loss of \$275,000.

RODIEK RETIRES AS GERMAN CONSUL; H. SCHULTZE NAMED

Austria-Hungary's Representative Will Also Represent Switzerland; Rodiek is Still Consul for Sweden

Retirement of Georg Rodiek as consul for the imperial German government and representative of the government of Switzerland, was the announcement made today. Since the severance of diplomatic relations between this government and Germany it has been apparent that the position of Rodiek as representing Germany while he is an American was a peculiar one and it has excited much comment. His retirement and the turning of his office over to H. Schultze relieves this situation.

When diplomatic relations were severed it was announced that the affairs of Germany in this country would be cared for by Switzerland's representative. It therefore became necessary if Rodiek was to relinquish his duties here that another Swiss representative should be made.

Georg Rodiek for a number of years German consul here, yesterday received instructions from the German government to close the German consulate here and turn it over to the Austro-Hungarian consul, H. Schultze.

With it also goes the appointment of representative of the Swiss government. Rodiek will continue, however, to act as the Swedish consul.

The instructions came as a result of the severance of diplomatic relations between United States and Germany and because Rodiek is an American citizen.

This morning Rodiek sent a letter to all the local consuls except those of the allied nations who are at war with Germany and to all territorial and federal officials announcing the change.

BUDGET FUND OF Y. W. PASSES MARK

The last stone has been placed on the lighthouse which guards the entrance of the Y. W. C. A. building, and the beacon light is in its place. At 3:30 yesterday afternoon the members of the Y. W. C. A. campaign committee pulled the little paper ribbon from the adding machine and announced that the total campaign receipts had reached \$17,481.75.

Beginning the campaign the workers placed the mark at \$17,000 and for one week the various committees have been working to attain this mark. Up to noon today the total contributions to the Y. W. C. A. budget had reached something over \$17,500. Inasmuch as the budget for the year calls for about \$18,500, the association will have practically \$1000 left for another fund.

"One of the most pleasing features of the entire campaign was the fact that 87 people contributed to the fund," said Miss Annetta Diekmann, chairman of the publicity committee, today. "It has been a community affair and we all are grateful to those who have assisted in the work. We are all more than pleased at the response of the people of Hawaii."

Early in the year we had plans laid for the building of a new kitchen, which is badly needed, but we felt that this could wait for another year, as our budget was already large, but with the amount we have on hand and the subscriptions that will come in by mail this year, we can now work on the proposition of enlarging the space for the cafeteria kitchen. Every one has worked hard, and we feel that it has not been a Y. W. C. A. campaign strictly, but rather a Honolulu campaign. Japanese of the city showed their interest by contributing more than \$365.

Reports received from the treasurer show the amounts collected by the various teams as follows:

Unassigned	\$8,361.25
Business girls—Miss Harriet Forbes	2,560.50
Mrs. R. D. Williams	2,490.00
Miss Alice Hopper	840.00
Miss Nora Sturgeon	717.50
Mrs. W. J. Forbes	708.50
Mrs. Stanley Livingston	487.00
Mrs. Jonathan Shaw	432.75
Mrs. E. G. Bartlett	337.75
Miss Ruth Soper	305.50
Miss Alice Knapp	232.00

\$17,481.75
A petition has been filed in circuit court asking that Edward C. Wolter be appointed administrator of the estate of the late Edward A. Stout. The estate is valued at about \$1200.

California Sunk Unwarned, Cables U. S. Consul Frost

German Submarines Reap Harvest of More Than 22,000 Tons of Shipping in Yesterday's Work

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 8.—The American rescued from the California, torpedoed yesterday off the Irish coast, is believed to be John A. Lee of Montgomery, Alabama, and is supposedly a member of the steamer's crew.

The captain of the liner, who is quoted by Consul Frost, said that the submarine gave no warning of attack, but fired two torpedoes at a distance of about 200 yards. The steamer was struck amidships and sank in a short time, dragging many down with her.

Consul Frost at Queenstown has cabled the state department that the California was torpedoed without warning, with one American known to have been aboard and saved. Some of the passengers and crew are still missing, including two women and several children.

Yesterday's toll of vessels was large, a tonnage of more than 22,000 being sunk by the German U-boats. In addition a vessel said to be the British steamer Azul, of unknown tonnage, and several trawlers were sent to the bottom.

In the leasing of insurance rates at the government war risk bureau, increase is noted between San Francisco and Honolulu, the rates going up from one-twentieth to one-quarter of one per cent. according to the risk.

The list of sunken ships in full, up to a late hour last night, with their tonnage, so far as could be learned, was:

California—British steamer, Captain Henderson, 5335 net tons; on schedule between New York and Glasgow.

Vestra—British steamer; no record in marine reports. There is a tank steamer Vestra which sailed January 2 from New York for unreported destination.

Crown Point—British steamer, Captain Snowdon, 3301 net tons. Recent out of Philadelphia to London. Probably out of British port when sunk.

Lorton—Peruvian bark, Captain Santarata, 1297 net tons. Left Caleta Buena for Passages, November 23.

Perruccio—Italian steamer. No record in marine reports.

St. Ninias—British steamer, Captain Buckart, 1938 tons. Movements not recorded in marine reports. Probably on government service.

Corsican Prince—British steamer, 1764 net tons. Movements not recorded in marine reports. Probably on government service.

(Note.—The British steamer, reported sunk today, is not listed in the latest available statistics and nothing is known about her here.)

FOREIGN SELLING OF SHIPS BANNED

Acting Collector of Customs Raymer Sharp today received the following cablegram from Collector of Customs Davis of San Francisco:

"President's proclamation of February 5 forbids sale American ships to foreigners with approval shipping board, Munsey building, Washington, D. C. Repeated by order commissioner of navigation."

Collector Sharp does not believe that the details of the proclamation of February 5 have yet reached Honolulu. The powers of the shipping board, temporarily laid aside by the proclamation, are outlined in chapter 445 of the session of the 64th Congress, in part, as follows:

"When the United States is at war, or during any national emergency, the existence of which is declared by proclamation of the president, no vessel registered and licensed under the laws of the United States shall, without the approval of the (shipping) board, be sold, leased or chartered to any person not a citizen of the United States, or transferred to a foreign registry or flag."

THREE GUARDSMEN ARE WANTED FOR ASSIGNMENT

National Guardsmen who have changed their residences from one island to another should bear in mind that they are not out of the territory, according to officers at guard headquarters, and should report immediately upon arrival at their new locations to officers in charge.

Names of three guardsmen from the 4th Infantry, Kauai, who have come to Honolulu and have not yet reported to headquarters were made public today. These are Francisco Jumeary, Company D; J. Abilani, Company D, and Leon Pabigola, all of the 4th Regiment. They are asked to report for assignment.

NINE LINERS IN DANGER ZONE; RUMOR GERMANY TO HOLD U. S. CITIZENS AS WAR HOSTAGES

South American Countries Standing With Wilson in Refusal to Submit to Ruthlessness at Sea

At 11:50 this morning the Star-Bulletin received the following "flash" by Associated Press, Federal Wireless:

LONDON, Eng., Feb. 8.—An American negro fireman on the steamer Turino, George Washington, has been killed, according to a report received at the American embassy. An American, Calvin Bay, is a survivor of the Turino sinking. The Turino is a British vessel which sailed from Norfolk on January 19 for Liverpool, and was sunk by a submarine, it is reported from Queenstown, Ireland.

LONDON, Eng., Feb. 7.—The British steamer Turino has been sunk and the crew landed.

The British steamer Dauntless is also sunk, and six have landed of the 23 aboard.

Germans Claim Subjects U. S. Are Being Compulsorily Detained

LONDON, Eng., Feb. 8.—A Reuter's despatch says that the Copenhagen Politiken publishes the following:

Germany will require guarantees that Ambassador von Bernstorff and the men of the German ships interned be permitted to leave the United States before allowing U. S. Ambassador Gerard and other Americans to depart from Germany. This information is contained in a message from Gerard to the American legation. All Americans are detained as hostages.

Apparently Gerard's messages has been sent to the legation at Copenhagen. Yesterday's late despatches indicated that Gerard had reached Bern, Switzerland, though it was shown his exact whereabouts about were unknown. He was planning to reach the United States from Spain.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 8.—France today formally granted safe passage for German Ambassador von Bernstorff, as requested by the United States, now that relations have been broken between Berlin and Washington.

The United States government is awaiting similar action by England.

BERLIN, Germany, Feb. 8.—Lokal Anzeiger in a leading editorial today charges that the United States in violation of the treaties of 1799 is "compulsorily detaining Germans entitled by these treaties to depart from the United States."

Brazil, Peru, Bolivia, Chile May Break

RIO JANEIRO, Brazil, Feb. 8.—Brazil's reply to the German note telling of the resumption of ruthlessness at sea, politely but firmly declares the intention to hold Germany responsible for the consequences resulting from submarine warfare. The Brazilian note also expresses the desire not to be compelled to break amicable relations.

It is reported also that Peru and Chile will address similar protests to Germany against the situation foreshadowed in the Berlin note.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 8.—Spain's note in response to that of President Wilson suggesting that other neutral nations adopt the attitude of the United States in breaking with Germany, has been received here but not made public.

It is understood that Spain formally declines to accept President Wilson's suggestion.

LONDON, Eng., Feb. 8.—A Reuter's despatch today says that Bolivia has decided to completely support the attitude of the United States.

LIMA, Peru, Feb. 8.—Peru has instructed her minister at Berlin to make written claim for reparation because of the sinking of the Peruvian bark Lorton yesterday by a German submarine.

Many Americans on Seas in Danger

NEW YORK, N. Y., Feb. 8.—Nine Entente liners and two American liners, as well as one flying the Dutch flag, are on the high seas now between New York and European ports.

Six of these are eastbound and in the zone of possible danger from German submarines. Three British passenger vessels which are due to arrive have not been reported.

Nearly all of the passenger vessels at sea are carrying Americans.

PREPAREDNESS PLANS TO BE DISCUSSED BY WOMEN OF NAVY LEAGUE AND HAWAIIAN WAR RELIEF

For next Saturday morning at the Hawaiian Opera House, at 11 o'clock, women of the Navy League and of the Hawaiian War Relief Committee are issuing a call to the women of Hawaii to join with them in discussing the question, "What Can We Do For Our Country?"

The chief speakers will be Admiral W. H. Brownson, retired, and Mrs. A. J. George of Massachusetts, a branch director of the National Security League.

"We want to do our full duty at this time," say the women, calling the meeting.